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## SOUTH CITY WILL CELEBRATE OPENING OF CUT-OFF ROAD

### Preparations Are Being Made to Have a Festival on a Grand Scale-- Mass Meeting Held.

A meeting of citizens of South San Francisco was called to order in Metropolitan Hall at 10 a. m. Tuesday, September 17, 1907, to discuss the advisability of getting up a grand celebration in South San Francisco on the occasion of the opening of the new Bay Shore Cut-off Railroad next month.

On motion, Judge McSweeney was chosen Chairman of the meeting and E. I. Woodman Secretary.

On motion it was unanimously decided to make preparations for a celebration.

Mr. Wm. T. Garrett, being called for, gave considerable information in regard to the opening of the new Bay Shore Cut-off Railroad. He suggested that an active committee be appointed by the chair to take the whole matter in hand and subsequently several sub-committees could be selected to take charge of the various details necessary to perfect a successful celebration. The first object to be attained will be to consult with the Southern Pacific Company and have matters so arranged that South City, which will be the first principal stopping point on the new line after leaving San Francisco, can give the first celebration in honor of this important event. It will bring to the attention of the outside world the splendid location of South City for factories, industrial enterprises and suburban homes. In the past, South City has been to one side of the main line of travel, and it is necessary now that we take advantage of our opportunity.

Mr. W. J. Martin suggested that the United Railways Company and the Southern Pacific Company be asked to join in the movement to have a grand celebration, in South City, and he believed they would respond cheerfully.

On motion, the chair was empowered to appoint an Executive Committee. He appointed the following: C. T. Connelly (Chairman), W. J. Martin, Judge E. E. Cunningham, J. L. Debenedetti and Wm. T. Garrett. Chairman McSweeney and Secretary Woodman, who were by a motion made permanent officers, were added as ex-officio members of the committee.

Mr. Garrett and Secretary Woodman were instructed to prepare a report of the proceedings of the meeting to be sent for publication to the San Francisco Chronicle, Call, Examiner, Bulletin and News, and the Redwood City Democrat and South San Francisco Enterprise.

On motion, it was decided to have some hangers printed calling for a mass meeting to be held in Metropolitan Hall on Friday evening, September 20th.

The citizen's meeting then adjourned, and the newly appointed Executive Committee was called to order by Chairman C. T. Connelly. On motion Secretary Woodman was selected to act as Secretary of the Committee.

Various propositions were discussed tending toward a successful celebration.

It was decided to interest the fraternal organization of South City in the movement as well as citizens generally.

It was also determined to have the women of South City take a prominent part in the celebration.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Thursday evening.

#### THURSDAY'S MEETING

The Executive Committee of citizens having in charge, the preliminary arrangements toward giving a grand

celebration in South City on the date of the opening of the new Bay Shore Cut-off Railroad was held Thursday evening. All the members of the Committee were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Various ideas were suggested as to the kind of celebration to be given, which were presented at the mass meeting held last evening.

It was decided to have Chairman McSweeney, who presided at last night's mass meeting, appoint Chairmen for the following sub-committees: Reception, Invitation, Publicity, Finance, Traffic, Decoration, Illumination, Entertainment, Information, Public Improvement, Music, Ball, Barbecue, Fraternal, Local Transportation, Refreshment, and Law and Order.

The meeting then adjourned to the call of the Chair.

#### ENTHUSIASTIC MASS MEETING

A large and enthusiastic audience attended the citizens' mass meeting at Metropolitan Hall for the purpose of making preparations to celebrate the opening of the Bay Shore Cut-off Railroad during the early part of next month with an open house celebration, which is destined to mark a new era in the history of the busy industrial town of South San Francisco and open the eyes of the people of San Francisco and other California cities to its value as a manufacturing center under its newly acquired transportation facilities.

The new road will bring the town within 8 miles of the heart of San Francisco and people from all parts of the San Francisco bay district are invited to participate.

The meeting was called to order by Judge A. McSweeney, who had been selected as Chairman by a committee of citizens at a previous meeting. E. I. Woodman was chosen as Secretary.

The action of the citizens' preliminary meeting in selecting the Chairman and Secretary and the above mentioned Executive Committee was indorsed.

On motion, the Chairman was authorized to appoint the following to act as Chairman of the various sub-committees:

Reception, C. T. Connelly; Invitation, J. Eikerenkotter; Publicity, W. T. Garrett; Finance, E. I. Woodman; Traffic, W. J. Martin; Decorations, E. W. Langenbach; Illumination, Frank Edwards; Entertainment, J. L. Debenedetti; Information, Judge E. E. Cunningham; Public Improvement, Mrs. H. G. Plymire; Music, Tom Mason; Ball, Mike Fertado; Barbecue, Tom Hickey; Fraternal, Harry Edwards; Local Transportation, D. McSweeney; Refreshment, Mrs. A. Anderson; Law and Order, Judge McSweeney.

Among the speakers who were called upon during the evening were: W. J. Martin, Supervisor J. Eikerenkotter, Judge E. E. Cunningham, W. T. Garrett, Thos. Hickey, E. W. Langenbach, Thos. Mason, and C. T. Connelly.

After some discussion, the following programme for the celebration was adopted unanimously by the meeting:

The day's festivities will be varied and will have many striking parts, principal among which will be the industrial feature. It is intended to have open house in all of the factories located at this point, to give the visitors their first opportunity of seeing these plants in operation. Bandstands will be erected at the new depot and on the principal streets, and glee clubs are to furnish music in Metropolitan Hall throughout the day. The town will

## RUSHING WORK ON THE DUMBARTON BRIDGE

### Nearly Four Thousand Feet of Trestle Now in Place—Two Hundred Men at Work

When Completed, the Overland Passenger Traffic Can Be Carried Directly Into San Francisco and Avoid the Two Ferries at Oakland and Benicia.

The location of Dumbarton bridge being off the line of general travel, and in a measure inaccessible, the general public has but little idea of how rapidly the work is progressing, says the San Mateo Leader.

Just south of Redwood City, grading has commenced on the branch line. Making a straight southeast shoot the tracks will strike the bay shore at Cooley's Landing just opposite Palo Alto and scarcely more than a mile from the end of University avenue. Dumbarton Point juts in from the Alameda county shore at this point and narrows the channel to a width of only eight thousand feet. The water varies from six to forty feet deep. This is ample for the largest steamers that will ever come up the stream.

To the south the bay widens out again and rapidly forms a basin having an area of probably forty square miles. Then the bay frays out into the various sloughs that wind across the marsh like the arms of an octopus. Alviso is at the end of one of the longest of these winding sloughs that begins at beacon thirteen.

Actual work on the bridge is going forward in three sections, one from each shore and one in the middle of the channel. Five pile drivers are at work putting down one-hundred-foot piles. Each bent consists of four piles tied with heavy cross braces and driven from fifty to sixty feet in the mud. The bents are fifteen feet apart and are connected by twelve rows of stringers eight by sixteen inches and thirty feet long. The ties for a double track will be laid upon these stringers. About one half the distance has already been bridged, but the heaviest part of the work remains to be done.

Immense concrete piers are to be built to support the drawbridge at the channel. At this point the tide runs very strong and heavy work will have to be put in. A force of two hundred men are now at work and cook houses are established on this side of the Spring Valley flume.

There seems to be no doubt that a cut-off from Sacramento through Niles canyon and the Livermore valley will be speedily constructed. When this is done the overland passenger traffic can be carried directly into San Francisco and avoid the two ferries at Oakland and Benicia. Very nearly the same time can be made over the new road. The bridges cut off about thirty-five miles of the distance around the south arm of San Francisco bay.

be decorated with ferns, palms and bunting and the electrical display at night will surpass any effort ever attempted by any town on the peninsula.

A regular street fair and fiesta will be held, concluding with a grand ball and "All Fools' Night," at which all the people of South San Francisco will turn out en masque. Special trains will be run over the cut-off, carrying visitors to the town in 12 minutes from the heart of San Francisco. The citizens in charge of the fiesta will convey the visitors in carriages and automobiles to the points of interest in and around the town.

This will be the first time that the population around San Francisco bay will have the chance to see and learn the value and wonderful industrial development and possibilities of the growing town. The investment in factories at this point exceeds \$10,000,000 and thousands of men are employed

## PATROLMAN KNEESE SAVES LIVES OF FORTY PERSONS

### A Despicable Incendiary Sets Fire to the Linden Hotel in South City Early Wednesday Morning.

What might have been a very destructive fire with loss of life was checked early Wednesday morning last. While Night Patrolman Kneese was going his usual rounds about 1.30

a. m. in the vicinity of Linden Hotel on Linden Avenue, he detected the smell of smoke. He made an investigation and in a few minutes discovered smoke issuing from an open window in one of the back rooms on the first floor of the hotel. He promptly called to his assistance Wm. Nurse and "Bull" Taylor who were in the immediate neighborhood. They obtained fire extinguishers from the fire house, but the smoke becoming so dense in the room they were unable to use them. The fire bell was then rung, and Kneese fired five shots from his revolver, and a crowd of volunteers soon gathered. The hose was quickly attached to the hydrant at the corner of Baden and Linden Avenues, and it was not long before the fire was put out.

George Moore, proprietor of the hotel, soon as he was aroused, attempted to open the door of the room, but

found it locked. With the aid of others he broke in the door. Immediately a great volume of smoke poured out into the hallway, and those present were nearly suffocated.

After the fire was under control and put out Patrolman Kneese discovered two empty bottles in the room, one that had originally contained stuffed olives, and the other blackberry brandy.

From the smell of the bottles they had later evidently contained coal oil, which no doubt had been used by an incendiary in starting the fire, which was a despicable piece of work, as there were forty persons asleep in the hotel at the time.

Soon as the lodgers were aroused some of them rushed out into the open air in various kinds of night attire, but soon returned to their rooms after the excitement was over.

Proprietor Moore went to San Francisco Wednesday to notify the owner of the property and the company that had insured the place.

Up to the time of THE ENTERPRISE going to press no trace of the incendiary had been discovered.

there the year around. New plants under contract to locate there and now under construction will give employment to fully 8,000 additional men.

The various speakers received considerable applause.

The meeting adjourned at 10 p. m.

The Executive and the various sub-committees will have a meeting Monday evening next to further perfect arrangements.

## MASQUERADE BALL

The first grand masquerade ball given by T. U. T.'s Social Club will be given at Metropolitan Hall to-night. There will be dancing all night, with good music. The floor manager will be Mike Guerra. Tickets of admission are fifty cents each.

The following prizes will be given away:

For Gents—First, best dressed gent, pair tailor-made pants, by the Club; second, next best dressed gent, \$3.50 hat, by E. W. Langenbach; third, most original character, fancy shirt, value \$2.50, by J. L. Debenedetti; fourth, best female impersonator, box cigars, value \$3.00, by C. T. Connelly; fifth, best coon, one half dozen chianti wine, by the Giglio Cafe; sixth, best tramp, one month's shaving and hair cut, by M. Giannecchini.

For Ladies—First, best dressed lady, gold ring, value \$8.00, by South San Francisco Jewelry Store, (on display at South City Pharmacy); second, next best dressed lady, fancy shirt waist, by People's Store; third, most original character, ham, by Lion Market; fourth, best male impersonator, glass set, 4 pieces, by Jacobs Co. fifth, best nurse, \$1.50 worth of groceries, by Bertucelli & Giorgi; sixth, best Topsy, fancy tea pot, by Baden Cash Store..

#### A JOLLY TIME

Time, 9:30 p. m. Location, Grand Avenue. Date, Wednesday last. Those especially interested, Brother M. Guerra and wife. The Women of Woodcraft and members of the Degree of Pocahontas, determined that the evening mentioned should not pass without some practical demonstration of regard towards these members so re-

cently united for life. Mike and Blanch are well known to all resident fraternalists who wish them all happiness and prosperity. Presents beautiful and costly decorated the lodge room of Metropolitan Hall. A committee waited upon them at their newly furnished flat asking their presence at the regular meeting of the Woodcraft, to which they joyfully assented. Their appearance was the cause of a wondrous greeting. Harry Edwards being present was requested to act as master of ceremonies. Then the fun began, nor did it end till the wee, early hours. Refreshments were bountifully provided, to which all did justice, while the happy couple received the congratulations of all present. Certain it is their heartfelt wish that life may prove one long continuous honeymoon, and may health, happiness and prosperity be their portion.

#### Forgetful.

"Tommy," said his mother reprovingly, "what did I say I'd do to you if I ever caught you stealing jam again?" Tommy thoughtfully scratched his head with his sticky fingers.

"Why, that's funny, ma, that you should forget it too. Hanged if I can remember."—Everybody's.

All men are equal—till they are found out.—Jamesport Gazette.

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12:09 P. M.  
5:22 P. M.

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6:15 A. M.  
11:33 A. M.  
MAILS RECEIVED FROM NORTH.  
6:45 A. M.  
12:03 P. M.  
4:05 P. M.

MAILS RECEIVED FROM SOUTH.  
12:39 P. M.  
E. E. CUNNINGHAM, P. M.

## RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

## NORTHBOUND TRAINS.

5:56 A. M.  
7:17 A. M.  
9:26 A. M.  
12:39 P. M.  
4:47 P. M.  
5:58 P. M.

## SOUTHBOUND TRAINS.

6:45 A. M.  
12:11 P. M.  
3:50 P. M.  
7:03 P. M.  
8:33 P. M.  
12:20 Theater Train.

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The youth, seeing the soldiers, dropped on one knee and aimed with his gun at the advancing party, which halted a moment, while the old men ran toward the forest. The old men had thrown away their firearms in order to make escape easier.

The soldiers fired at the youth, but missed. Without discharging his gun he sprang to his feet and ran on in advance until he caught up with the old men once more. Then, facing about, he presented his gun as before, but reserved his fire.

The weary old men gradually drew near cover. Once more the soldiers fired and missed; once more the gallant fellow turned and bounded on. The old men were close to the forest when the youth, nearly fainting, again knelt and took aim, but still did not fire.

The soldiers shot him as he knelt and rushed to the forest, but failed to capture the two fugitives, who, safe in the dense underbrush, made their escape.

On their return the soldiers found the brave young fellow lying dead. His gun was empty; it had not been loaded at all. With it he had covered the retreat of the old men and secured their freedom by the loss of his own life. No more gallant deed of heroic devotion was ever accomplished in any land.

## Dreams of the Healthy.

There has been much discussion as to whether one dreams only on falling to sleep and during the act of waking up, or whether dreams take place at any time during sleep. While not definitely determined as yet, the evidence seems to be rather in favor of the view that one may dream at any time during the night or the whole night through. Dreaming is common to perfectly healthy persons, and in itself is no evidence of disorder.—Harper's Magazine.

## Mount McKinley.

In mountain climbing the world over the climber usually arrives fresh and unfatigued at the base of the peak he wishes to storm and, as a rule, begins his ascent at a high altitude. On Mount McKinley, as described by a writer in Outing, it is the opposite. There are twenty-five miles of rugged foothills and glaciers to be crossed—with heavy packs—before the base of the mountain is reached, and then the climber is confronted by 18,000 feet of rock and ice.

## A Patriot.

"Say, Freddie, what's a patriot?"  
"Oh, it's one of those fellows who tries to make something out of his country."—Judge.

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In the matter of the estate of BENJ. A. WORRELL, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, James Hudson Worrell, Administrator of the estate of Benjamin A. Worrell, Deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to said Administrator, at the office of his Attorney, Harry E. Styles, on Grand Avenue, in South San Francisco, County of San Mateo, State of California, the same being the place for the transaction of business of said estate, in the County of San Mateo, State of California.  
Dated this 10th day of August, 1907.  
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RESIDENTS of South City are requested to furnish this office with any news items that they know of from time to time. There is a letter box attached to our front door, in which written items can be placed. Please write on one side of paper and sign your name to it. THE ENTERPRISE desires to print all the local happenings, and the people of South City can be of material help.

PREPARATIONS are being made by the progressive citizens of South City to have a grand celebration at this place on the day of the opening of the new Bay Shore Cut-off Railroad. THE ENTERPRISE urges upon the residents at this time to immediately begin to cut away the weeds around their premises and burn them. There should be a special day selected for every resident in South City to get out with his hoe and shovel and clean the streets. When we invite strangers to visit us we should be clean as well as hospitable. A favorable impression must be created. We have the location and climate, school and church facilities and we must from now on hurrah for South City in season and out. Those who cannot speak well of their home town can very easily keep their mouths shut.

THE politicians of San Francisco, reading the signs of the times, are coming around in favor of a joint convention and a joint common ticket for the election for a city government.

San Francisco is in the fix of the man after the ground hog on Sunday, viz., "out of meat and must get it." The city is officially and financially discredited, and must have at least a hundred million dollars of outside capital to assure its rehabilitation.

To get this vast sum it must regain the confidence of the world at large.

If the party politicians stand out for any program other than the greatest good to the greatest number, the people will sweep them aside as so much impedimenta, and proceed to elect the men who can and will save San Francisco. The crisis calls for men who are not only capable and clean but for men tried and known, not only at home but abroad.

Nomination by petition is a trump card held by the common people and it will be played in case the politicians try any funny business.

If you work for a man, in heaven's name work for him. If he pays you wages that supply your bread and butter, work for him; speak well of him; stand by him and stand by the institution he represents. If put to a pinch, an ounce of loyalty is worth a pound of cleverness. If you must vilify, condemn and eternally disparage,

why, resign your position, and when you are outside, damn to your heart's content. But as long as you are a part of the institution, do not condemn it. If you do, you are loosening the tendrils that hold you to the institution, and the first high wind that comes along, you will be uprooted and blown away in the blizzard's track, and probably you will never know why.—Elbert Hubbard.

Night Patrolman Kneese deserves especial credit for the prompt manner in which he acted when he discovered the Linden Hotel on fire early Wednesday morning. His quick work was the means of saving, possibly, the lives of forty persons who were asleep at the time in the hotel.

E. J. Devlin, for many years managing editor of the Sacramento Bee, is making arrangements to establish a daily newspaper in Santa Cruz. Mr. Devlin is one of the best newspaper writers in California, and the publishers at present in Santa Cruz will have to stir themselves to keep up to the pace "Eddie" will set for them.

## NEWSPAPER SUSPENDED

The Coast Advocate, published at Half Moon Bay, has suspended publication.

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS TOLD IN BRIEF

Mike Ferrario is building a dwelling house on west half lot 28 in block 119.

Pete Mirati is building a cottage on the easterly one-half of lot 6 in block 119.

Frank Furino of San Francisco has bought the easterly one half of lot 31 in block 101, and will build on same.

Mrs. A. Anderson, of East Oakland, was a visitor to South City during the past week, the guest of Mrs. C. D. Monaghan.

Paul Lamperti and five of his friends have bought lot 30 in block No. 9 and have commenced building a dwelling house thereon.

Louis Marquette, one of the pioneer residents of this town, who has been absent many years, returned on Sunday to his old home, and was about town Monday seeing old friends.

Robt. A. Wilson, Superintendent of the construction department of the Southern Pacific Company in South City, has returned with his bride from their honeymoon trip, and will reside here in future.

Rev. Geo. Wallace, formerly rector of Grace Church in South City, was a visitor here last week. He is on his way on a tour of the world, having a fifteen-months' leave of absence from his station in Japan.

The new pastor of St. Paul's Church, Rev. Edwin D. Kizer, will speak Sunday morning on "A City of Refuge" and at 7:30 p. m. the subject will be "The Story of a Creation." All are cordially invited to attend.

At the meeting of the Methodist Episcopal Conference at Pacific Grove, last Tuesday, Rev. R. J. Craig, who has been the pastor of the Methodist Church in South City for some time past, was transferred to Berkeley for the coming year, and Rev. Edwin D. Kizer formerly of Sunnyvale, was chosen to succeed him.

Lawrence Maccario and G. Tacchi hereby give notice to the public that it is their intention to purchase the business of C. E. Coffey, known as the "Arrival Saloon and Rooming House." All bills must be presented to said C. E. Coffey before September 26, 1907.

Sept. 21-21

Everybody is talking about Confusion

## THE HARBOR OF SAN FRANCISCO

The expansive, land-locked bay of San Francisco, with the Golden Gate as a deep-water outlet to the Pacific, constitutes one of the few great harbors of the world. Here is a protected marine area sixty-seven miles in length and as much as twelve miles in width, with hundreds of miles of fairway and anchorage. The ultimate possibilities of this great expanse as a harbor baffle the imagination and lead into unknown future centuries. All of the prime factors are present which constitute a harbor of the first magnitude. These are (1) a thoroughly protected arm of the sea with a deep water outlet, (2) an extensive and highly productive tributary country, (3) navigable rivers traversing this tributary area, (4) a favorable groundsite for the upbuilding of a great seaport, (5) a soft winter climate, permitting a perpetually open port, (6) an absence of competing harbors.

The adequate amount of engineering attention and State and Government money have never been devoted to the improvement of San Francisco's harbor as circumstances warrant. Along the waterfront of San Francisco the need is urgent of certain extensive improvements, including seawall and pier construction. All that San Francisco has to show by way of permanent waterfront improvement are portions of the seawall, twelve piers on concrete piling, the Ferry Building and the Belt Railroad. For these permanent improvements not much over \$4,000,000 has been spent to date. There is much to be done if San Francisco is to retain her primacy as the commercial metropolis of the Pacific. Commerce follows the wharves.

The improvements of San Francisco's waterfront now being installed or contemplated for the early future are additional wharves of the improved concrete type and an extension of the seawall. At present the latter is 9,803 feet in length and extends from Taylor street on the north to a point just south of the Ferry Building. A small section is also completed at the Pacific Mail docks.

The old type of pier supported on wooden piles is a thing of the past. The teredo and the limnoria make such short work of the wooden piles that it is distinctly a false economy to put them down. The wharves that have more recently been built are supported on concrete piling, which is, by any ordinary standards, indestructible. In the wharves now building and to be built the concrete pile, in improved forms, will be used, and it is likely that concrete may enter more or less into the superstructure also.—Walter J. Kenyon, in "For California" for September.

## DON'T BE A KNOCKER

Don't be a "knocker," talk well of the town you do business in, and if there's a chance to boom the place, and your business, boom them. Don't be seen with a long face or act as if you had a sour stomach. Hope for a bit; get a smile on you, hold up your head, get a hold with both hands then pull. Bury your hatchet; drop your tomahawk and hide your little hammer.

When a friend or stranger drops into your store jolly him, tell him yours is the greatest town on earth. Don't be muleish, don't be a knocker, just jolly, all men like to be jollied always. So jolly and make yourself popular. Push your friends with you and soon you will have a whole procession.

Be a good fellow, but don't be a knocker, no man ever helped himself up by knocking other people down. No man ever got rich trying to make people believe that he was the only good man on earth.

You can't climb the ladder of fame by stepping on other people's corns. They're their corns not yours, and they are tender. Keep off the corns—all men are not alike, you are not the only, there are others. If you don't like their style, let 'em alone. Walk right, and make yourself look pleasant, you will get used to it.

There's no end of fun in minding your own business, it makes people like you better to have others stuck on you. Never get stuck on yourself, no one gets stuck on a knocker, don't be one. Be good and you will do the business.

## COLMA NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor formerly of Ocean View are now residents of Colma.

"Mat" Grady is back to work after three weeks rest.

Mr. Frankie O'Brien is soon to leave us, much to the sorrow of his many friends.

Mr. P. Corcoran from Atlatmont is with the Ocean Shore Railroad Company again.

Our friend "the stork" has paid us a few visits in Colma, Mrs. Bob. Silicani being presented with a bouncing baby girl. "Bob" has grown wonderfully since he took the name of papa. Mrs. Jack Fahey has also become the mother of a girl.

Mrs. Mary Imsand has taken a trip to Germany to pay a visit to her old home. We wish her good luck and a pleasant journey.

Don't forget the Redmens' Picnic next Sunday at the Picnic Gardens, because

A good time there will surely be  
Don't be surprised when you see me—  
And my best girl all dressed to kill,  
Will we be there? You bet we will.

If you wish to spend an enjoyable evening, don't fail to see Confusion.

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## Notice of Application

To the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, for the Grant of a Right, Privilege or Franchise, and of the Intention of Said Board to Grant the Same.

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of September, 1907, W. J. Martin made written application to the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo for the grant of a certain right, privilege or franchise upon the terms and conditions set forth in a draft ordinance, a true copy of which is in the words and figures following, to-wit:

## AN ORDINANCE

GRANTING TO, AND HIS ASSIGNS, THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE OR FRANCHISE OF LAYING, MAINTAINING, USING, REPAIRING AND REPLACING FROM TIME TO TIME POLES AND WIRES SUSPENDED THEREON, AND MAINS AND OTHER CONDUITS FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSMITTING AND DISTRIBUTING ELECTRICITY FOR HEAT AND POWER AND ILLUMINATING PURPOSES, UPON, ACROSS, ALONG AND BENEATH THE SURFACE OF, THE COUNTY ROADS, STREETS AND HIGHWAYS IN THE FIRST TOWNSHIP OF SAN MATEO COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

The Board of Supervisors of the county of San Mateo do ordain as follows:

Section 1. The right, privilege or franchise of laying, maintaining, using, repairing and replacing from time to time, poles and wires suspended thereon, and mains and other conduits for the purpose of transmitting and distributing electricity for heat and power and illuminating purposes, upon, across, along and beneath the surface of, the county roads, streets and highways in the First Township of San Mateo County, California, is hereby granted to—

Section 2. The said grantee and his assigns shall have the right, of laying, maintaining, using, repairing and replacing from time to time, all necessary connections from said poles, wires, mains or other conduits to the premises of all persons who may desire to purchase heat, power or light from said grantee or his assigns.

Section 3. All conduits that are built beneath the surface shall be of such material or dimensions as the grantee or his assigns shall determine, and shall be laid at least twenty (20) inches below the surface of said county roads, streets and highways, under the supervision of the supervisor of the First Township of San Mateo County, California.

Section 4. The said grantee or his assigns, after laying or replacing or repairing said poles, mains or other conduits, shall at his own expense, place said county roads, streets and highways in as good order and condition as they were before being disturbed or excavated.

Section 5. All poles erected pursuant to this franchise shall be set in a safe, substantial and workmanlike manner and shall be placed at such points on the side of said county roads, streets or highways, as will least interfere with the travel thereon, and all wires suspended thereon shall be strung in such manner as to prevent their coming to the ground, and such wires shall be securely fastened to poles of sufficient height to carry said wires at a minimum height of twenty (20) feet above the surface of the ground, and said work shall be done under the supervision of the supervisor of the First Township, San Mateo County, California.

Section 6. The said grantee and his assigns shall during the term for which this franchise is granted, pay to said County of San Mateo two (2) per cent. of the gross annual receipts arising from the use, operation or possession of the right, privilege or franchise granted in Section 1 of this ordinance; provided, however, that no percentage shall be paid for the first five (5) years succeeding the date of said franchise, but thereafter such percentage shall be paid annually on the first day of September in each year.

Section 7. The said grantee shall within five (5) days after the final passage of this ordinance, file a bond running to the county of San Mateo with at least two good and sufficient sureties to be approved by the Board of Supervisors in the penal sum of one thousand (\$1000) dollars conditioned that such grantee shall well and truly observe, fulfill and perform each and every term and condition of said right, privilege or franchise.

Section 8. The said grantee shall within ten (10) days after the final passage of this ordinance, file with the clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the county of San Mateo, his written acceptance of the same upon the terms herein stated.

Section 9. The right, privilege or franchise hereby granted shall continue for fifty (50) years from and after the date of final passage of this ordinance.

Section 10. This franchise is given and accepted subject to all ordinances of the county of San Mateo which are now in force or which may be hereafter enacted.

Section 11. This grant is made under and pursuant to the act of the Legislature of the

State of California, approved March 22nd, 1905, entitled "An act providing for the sale of street railroad and other franchises in counties and municipalities and providing conditions for the granting of such franchises by legislative or other governing bodies, and repealing conflicting acts."

Section 12. This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days from and after its final passage.

Passed and adopted this.....day of.....1907, by the following vote:

Ayes, and in favor of the passage of said ordinance, supervisors,

Noes, and against the passage of said ordinance, supervisors,

Absent, supervisors

Chairman of Board of Supervisors, of the County of San Mateo, State of California.

ATTEST:

Clerk of said Board.

That it is proposed by said Board of Supervisors to grant said right, privilege or franchise upon the terms and conditions set forth in said draft ordinance; and

That the character of said right, privilege or franchise is fully described in the aforesaid draft ordinance, to which reference is hereby made, and that the term for which it is proposed to grant said right, privilege or franchise is fifty (50) years from and after the date of the final passage of the ordinance granting the same; and

That sealed bids for the grant of said right, privilege or franchise will be received by said Board of Supervisors and may be filed with the clerk of said Board, up to the hour of eleven (11) o'clock a. m. on Monday, the 4th day of November, 1907; and that the successful bidder and his assigns must, during the life of said franchise pay to the county of San Mateo two (2) per cent. of the gross annual receipts arising from the use, operation or possession of said right, privilege or franchise as more fully expressed in Section 6 of the aforesaid ordinance, to which reference is hereby made; and

That said Board of Supervisors will meet in open session on Monday, the 4th day of November, 1907, at the hour of eleven (11) o'clock a. m., at its chambers in Redwood City, in said county of San Mateo, and will there open and read the said bids, and that said right, privilege or franchise will be struck off, sold and awarded to the person, firm or corporation who shall make the highest cash bid therefor; provided only, that at the time of opening of said bids, any responsible person, firm or corporation presenting or representing any bid for said right, privilege or franchise a sum not less than ten (10) per cent. above the highest bid therefor, and said bid so made may be raised not less than ten (10) per cent. by any other responsible person, firm or corporation who shall make the highest cash bid therefor, subject to the same conditions as to deposit as above mentioned, and such procedure shall be had until said franchise is struck off, sold and awarded to the bidder who shall make the necessary deposit of at least ten (10) per cent. of the amount of his bid therefor as herein provided; and

That each sealed bid shall be accompanied with cash or a certified check payable to the treasurer of said county of San Mateo, for the full amount of said bid, and no sealed bid shall be considered unless the bidder has enclosed therewith, and the successful bidder shall deposit at least ten (10) per cent. of the amount of his bid with the clerk of said Board of Supervisors before the franchise shall be struck off to him; and he shall fail to make such deposit immediately, then, and in that case, his bid shall not be received and shall be considered as void, and the said franchise shall then and there be again offered for sale to the highest bidder therefor, in the same manner and under the same restrictions as hereinbefore provided; and in case said bidder shall fail to deposit with the clerk of said Board of Supervisors the remaining ninety (90) per cent. of the amount of the four (4) hours after its acceptance, the award to him of such franchise shall be set aside and the deposit thereto made by him shall be forfeited; and

That the successful bidder for said right, privilege or franchise shall be within five (5) days after said right, privilege or franchise shall have been struck off, sold, and awarded file a bond running to said county of San Mateo, with at least two good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by said Board of Supervisors, in the penal sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000), conditioned that such bidder shall well and truly observe, fulfill and perform each and every term and condition of said right, privilege or franchise, and that in case of any breach of condition of such bond, the whole amount of the penal sum therein named shall be taken and deemed to be liquidated damages, and shall be recoverable from the principal and sureties upon said bond.

Reference is hereby made for further particulars to the application of W. J. Martin for the grant of a certain right, privilege or franchise filed with the clerk of said Board of Supervisors September 3rd, 1907; to the ordinance and resolution of said Board of Supervisors adopted on the 3rd day of September, 1907, declaring its intention to grant said right, privilege or franchise, and directing the publication of this notice, which said order and resolution is now on file in the office of the clerk of said Board of Supervisors; and to an Act of the Legislature of the State of California, approved March 22d, 1905, entitled "An act providing for the sale of street railroad and other franchises in counties and municipalities, and providing conditions for the granting of such franchises by legislative and other governing bodies, and repealing conflicting Acts," and said application, order and resolution and Act of the Legislature of the State of California are expressly made a part of this notice.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, made on the 3rd day of September, 1907.

(SEAL) JOS. H. NASH, Clerk.

## FOR SALE CHEAP

One Front and Back Bar, also one National Cash Register. Cost \$230. Total add with tape and clock. Guaranteed first class condition. Complete outfit for \$185, or will sell either separately. Address LOUIS BRANT, "The Redwood Bar," Redwood City, California.

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## COUNTY SUPERVISORS IN REGULAR SESSION

**Palm Athletic Club Make Application for Permission to Hold Boxing Contests at San Bruno—Matter Laid Over.**

**A New Tax Rate for State and County Purposes Was Adopted—Rates Were Made for Several Special Taxes—South City's Special Fire Tax Will Be Six Cents.**

The board of supervisors of San Mateo county met in regular semi-monthly session Monday, September 16th, at 10:30 a. m., with all members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

An application was made for permission to hold boxing contests at San Bruno. The application was made by the Palm Athletic Club. Supervisor DeBenedetti thought the matter should be laid over for one month for investigation, and after some discussion action was deferred till October.

A communication from the Woman's Relief Corps was read asking for a donation of \$32.50 to decorate graves of soldiers in Union Cemetery, Redwood City. The donation was made.

In re tax levy, a communication signed by all but four of the school trustees of the county was read, asking that the tax levy for school purposes be raised from 17 cents, the rate last year, to 23 cents. Many of the schools of the county are in debt and the increase would enable them to pay up their indebtedness and maintain school for the usual period. In one case, however, that of San Mateo district, even with the increase, all the accrued debt cannot be discharged.

Superintendent of Schools Cloud made an earnest plea for an increase in the rate and set forth the condition of the schools in the county. He mentioned two or three districts wherein only a few weeks' school had been maintained for the reason that teachers could not be secured at the wages paid.

Attorney C. N. Kirkbride, a trustee in the San Mateo schools, made an argument for the increased rate. He set forth facts from the state superintendent's report, showing that the average salaries paid women teachers in this county, \$63 per month, was one of the lowest average rates paid in the State. He presented several petitions from boards of trade, school teachers and citizens of the county, praying that the tax rate for schools be raised.

George W. Hall, principal of the San Mateo schools, addressed the board and showed that after a San Mateo teacher had paid her board she would not have left the wage earned by a Japanese servant. Attorney Geo. C. Ross made an eloquent plea for the school. Action was deferred until the afternoon.

A written report was read from Paul Pinkney, the county's representative at the irrigation congress at Sacramento. H. W. Brown, another delegate to the convention, made a verbal report. The reports were accepted and the delegates thanked for their services.

In re erroneous assessment, lot 4, Abbey Homestead Association, was ordered canceled.

The board reassembled at 3:30 p. m. District Attorney J. J. Bullock, presented a map of the town of Dumbarton, and a resolution was passed adopting the map and dedicating the streets of said town of Dumbarton.

A map of the proposed town of Naples was presented and upon motion the board passed a resolution adopting said map and dedicating the streets of said town.

A map of the proposed town of Brighton Beach was presented and upon motion a resolution was passed adopting said map and the streets of said town were dedicated to public use. The proposed town is near Colma, on the ocean shore.

The following tax rate for state and county purposes was adopted:

	1906	1907
State fund	\$ .476	\$ .445
General fund	.12	.25
Courthouse fund (interest)	.03	.03
School fund	.17	.23
Salary fund	.18	.13
Indigent fund	.06	.05
Interest fund	.012	.01

Road fund, regular	.302	.30
Road fund, special	.20	.20
Total outside incorporated cities and towns	\$1.55	\$1.645
Total inside incorporated cities and towns	1.048	1.145
SPECIAL TAXES		
Halfmoon Bay school, bonded indebtedness	\$ .40	\$ .27
Las Lomitas school, bonded indebtedness	.19	.14
Pescadero school, maintenance and repair	.25	
Purissima school, maintenance and repair	.232	
Millbrae school, maintenance and repair	.134	
Redwood City schools, maintenance and repairs	.132	
San Mateo Union High School, bonded indebtedness	.032	.04
San Mateo Union High School, maintenance	.086	.12
San Mateo Union High School, repairs	.026	
Sequoia Union High School, bonded indebtedness	.06	.07
Sequoia Union High School, new bond		.04
Sequoia Union High School, maintenance	.12	.15
San Bruno school, bonded indebtedness	.13	.10
San Mateo school, bonded indebtedness	.067	.06
San Mateo school, repair	.062	.06
San Bruno Park school bonded indebtedness	.10	
San Bruno Park, special school	.26	
Jefferson, special school	.20	
South San Francisco, special fire	.06	

## CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LETTER

BERKELEY, September 19.—President Wheeler has received the following letter from James Wilson, Secretary of agriculture in Washington, in relation to the matter of the sulphuring of fruits, and the pure food law. Secretary Wilson says: "The pure food law and the interests of your people must both be considered. To the latter end I have promised that I will not be instrumental in taking anybody into the Federal courts if more sulphur is used than the ruling of the three secretaries has established. Before this matter came to my attention it had been taken to the President, and he had refused to suspend the law. I personally cannot suspend it, and I am not sure whether all of us together can do so. Certainly we can not do anything of that kind without full knowledge of the facts. I know the ruling came late, and probably should not have come at all this Summer, but there is the law, requiring us to do certain things. Everything in my power will be done to conserve the interests of your people."

The department of university extension in agriculture will furnish two speakers for the Stanislaus County Fair to be held at Modesto on Friday, September the twentieth. "Grapes for planting in the Modesto region" will be the topic for practical talks by Professor Bioletti of the viticultural department, and these will be illustrated by samples of grapes, best adapted to the section where the Fair is held. The grapes used as illustrations were grown at the Tulare sub-station. Professor C. W. Woodworth, of the department of entomology, will also give talks upon the general subject of "Insect pests and their control."

The women of the university during the course of the Summer vacation raised a total of over \$1000 for the Women's Dormitory Fund. This amount is the result of the efforts of many women of the university working in the various parts of the State for this much deserving cause.

On Tuesday, September the tenth, at the regular meeting of the Board of Regents, Professor E. J. Wickson, upon nomination by President Wheeler, was elected to be Director of the Agricultural Experiment Station, which makes him head of the department of agriculture in the university. Professor Wickson began his connection with the university in 1879 as lecturer in dairy husbandry. In 1885 he became lecturer on practical agriculture, and in 1891 was promoted to the associate professorship of agriculture, horticulture, and entomology, and given charge of the Farmers' Institute work. This position he held until his elevation to the professorship of agricultural practice in 1897. Since May, 1905 he has been acting director of the university experiment stations, and dean of the college of agriculture. Professor Wickson has been connected with nearly every branch of agriculture in the State of California, and has

probably done as much as any one man to promote its interest in this State.

The appointment of Professor Wickson as Director of the Agricultural Experiment Station by the Board of Regents has been the cause of much rejoicing in the university. President Wheeler, when speaking of the matter, made the following statement: "The appointment of a head of our Agriculture Department has been regarded by the President and the Board of Regents as involving the most responsibility of any recent act. We have believed the agricultural interests of California to be second to none of any State in the country, and these interests to be second to no interest within the State. It has, therefore, been our deliberate purpose to put at the head of the Agricultural Department the very best man available in the country. A careful and persistent canvass has therefore been made, and neither pains nor time spared. It is our deliberate and unanimous conviction that Professor Wickson is the man who deserves the place. His long experience in the agricultural and horticultural work and needs of the State, and in the peculiar conditions existing under its climate, weigh in the decision. His proved wisdom, his wide acquaintance with men and affairs, as well as his special knowledge and organizing ability, come also into the scale. We are making no experiment; he is tested and tried. We propose to give him every support, and to go ahead for the building up of an agricultural department which shall be struck out on large enough lines to be fairly commensurate with the tremendous interests at stake. It is a great satisfaction to us all, in addition to all other considerations, that we are able to assign this post to one who is of our own number and has served the university and the State so long and faithfully."

The authorities of the university have made an investigation of the scholarship records of the athletes of the university for the past two years, and have found some very interesting facts. In the two years 97 freshmen have played on freshman teams, which include football, track, and rowing. Of this number but five have failed to come up to the scholarship requirements, which makes a better showing than that among non-athletic students. In two years 160 men have been either on varsity or freshman track teams, and of this number not a single case of failure in studies has been recorded. The failures of football men have not been any greater than that among the average students of the university. To sum up: the total number of cases investigated was over 200, and the percentage of those who failed to meet the scholarship requirements of the faculty was a little less than five, which is slightly better than the usual record of students in the university.

A very significant thing regarding the student enrollment at Berkeley this year is the continued increase in the percentage of men as compared with women. This year sixty-two per cent of the regular undergraduate body are men. Last year the percentage was fifty-nine, and the year before fifty-seven. The total enrollment at the University of California, graduate and undergraduate, is 2,598, as against 2,474 a year ago at this time. The increased number of men does not seem to be due to any disinclination on the part of women to attend the university, but rather to the new fields opening up to men. In the last few years the university has developed new courses in commerce, architecture, irrigation, forestry, sanitary engineering, electricity, and mining engineering.

## SAN MATEO COUNTY'S NEW TAX RATE FIXED

The last meeting of the board of supervisors was taken up with the fixing of the tax levy for state and county purposes for 1907. Only one change was made in the estimate submitted to the board by the auditor and that was in the general fund appropriation, which was doubled. The levy as agreed upon was as follows: State fund 44.5 cents, general fund 25, courthouse fund (interest) 3, school fund 23, salary fund 13, indigent fund 5, interest fund 1, road fund (regular) 30, road fund (special) 20.

You don't know what confusion is until you see Confusion.

## THE POTRERO COMMERCIAL AND MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION

**SPUR TRACK ON NORTH POINT STREET FROM MASON TO JONES STREETS.**

The spur track wanted by the Southern Pacific to run on North Point street from Mason to Jones and then across private property along Beach street to Van Ness avenue, which Supervisor Sullivan of the Judiciary Committee in joint session with the Committee on Streets opposed, has finally been granted, very much to the relief of the manufacturers and property owners, whose property has been greatly enhanced and business greatly facilitated by this decision.

**EXPENDITURES AUTHORIZED FOR SEWER WORK.**

The finance committee of the Board have favorably considered the following recommendation for sewer work:

For cleaning and repairing sewer on Commercial street, \$3,000; for cleaning and repairing sewer on Channel street, \$5,000; for cleaning and repairing sewer on Taylor street, \$2,500; for repairing sewer on Seventeenth street, \$1,000; for sewer on Mission between Second and East streets, \$3,000; for sewer between Sixth and Brannan streets, \$500; for pumping station between Fourth and Behring streets, \$2,000.

**TAYLOR STREET SEWER AT BEACH ST.**

Since Mr. Casey has taken charge at the Board of Public Works the relief for this work has been going on rapidly and it is hoped it will soon be finished at the rate at which it is now progressing.

**THE SEWER AT THE MOUTH OF KANSAS STREET.**

We hope that by the next issue of THE ENTERPRISE we may be able to report satisfactory steps having been taken relative to this sewer at the mouth of Kansas Street.

**STREET IMPROVEMENTS.**

At the last meeting of the Board of Supervisors the recommendations made by the Board of Works were adopted by the Board of Supervisors as follows:

An appropriation of \$1,000 for repairing Railroad Avenue.

An appropriation of \$5,000 for repairing San Bruno Avenue.

While on this subject there are many more improvements which we hope soon to report as being under way, some in which the Street Committee will take hold, others where the private individual property owner will look after and all of which will materially benefit our District the coming rainy season.

A strong effort is being made in every direction to get the streets and sewers in good condition for the coming rainy season, and especially be able to prevent the recurrence of those distressing conditions that prevailed almost universally last winter in the Potrero District.

It is only by persistent effort that these things are accomplished and good work is being done in every direction to bring about the desired results.

### Bay Shore Items.

Miss Louisa Wittkowski, who lives at 107 Leland avenue, has taken a position in the laboratory of the Bay Shore Pharmacy, and is enjoying her work amid a multitude of capsules, powders, labels, corks and bottles.

The health board has begun energetic supervision this week in our section, with instructions to remove debris and all that harbors and feeds disease. This has been brought about by the few malignant cases in our City and County Hospital and we hope everybody will be headful of their directions for cleanliness.

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**CHEAP LOTS, GOOD LOTS, EASY TERMS.**

In the Bay Shore District where the S. P. R. Co. is erecting great machine shops, repair shops, construction works, freight yards, round houses, offices, etc., on the Bay Shore Cut-off in the southeast part of the City. Millions being spent. Great growth and business chances.

\$175 each, \$2 down, \$2 week. Two only. Hill-side.  
\$225, one lot. \$20 cash. \$10 month.  
\$500. Big corner, 2 lots, \$25 cash, \$25 month, or \$100 cash, \$15 month. Marine view.  
\$275 each, 2, sell together, \$50 cash, \$20 month.  
\$300 each, 3 lots, \$25 cash, \$15 month, or \$100 cash, \$10 month.  
\$500 corner, 2 lots, \$100 cash, \$25.  
\$800, 2 choice business or residence lots, all cash. Worth \$900.  
\$900 for 4 lots, fronts two streets, grand marine view, finest residence site in City.  
\$100 cash, \$25 month. \$800 all cash.  
\$2000 for two lots, Leland Ave., business center, near Bay Shore Hotel, half cash, \$50 month.  
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Carlyle once started the English-speaking people into recognition of the value of their great dramatist by suddenly asking the British public, which it would rather lose, Shakespeare or India? I thought of that the other day, muses the editor of the Rudder, when I was reading an article on steam navigation. What? Why, almost everything; our literature, our art, our religions. Nothing we have is so valuable as steam. It is the greatest civilizer the world has ever possessed.

Just arrived direct from the East a complete line of Men's and Boys' Clothing. W. C. Schneider. S. 21-tf

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The first recorded outbreak of the plague in Europe occurred in the sixteenth century. It came from lower Egypt. This was the first lapping of the wave that reached into the east again, there to stay its movements, so far as the west was concerned, until 544 A. D., when the returning legions of the Emperor Justinian brought it again into the western world from the battlefields of Persia. Constantinople was the first place it attacked. Here in a single day as many as 10,000 persons are said to have fallen victims to it. But the plague did not stop with Constantinople. It had found a too congenial soil in Europe, which was little else than one great battlefield at the time. It was carried into Gaul, where it followed close in the wake of the Frankish armies, and from Gaul it moved into Italy, with the Lombards, and so devastated the country as to leave it entirely at the mercy of the invaders.

The various crusades, which extended over a space of about 200 years, no doubt did much to hold the pestilence in Europe, for they served to keep open the channels of intercourse between the east and the west. Periodic epidemics were common during their continuance, and these seem to have culminated in the fourteenth century with what is known in history as the black death. The black death was more fatal to human life than any other single cause since the world began. The havoc of war was nothing in comparison to it. It swept the whole of Europe, leaving in its path such misery and destitution as the world had never known. It killed in three years some 25,000,000 people. Such figures stagger the comprehension, but the records of the time cannot be doubted. The entire population of Europe is estimated to have been about 100,000,000, kept down as it was by the constant warfare, and of these at least a fourth perished.

The ravages of the plague in Italy, where it came in the track of the war of the Guelphs and Ghibellines, was particularly disastrous to mankind. It raged with terrible fury in Naples, where 60,000 persons are said to have died. It fell upon Pisa, and seven out of every ten perished. It utterly and forever destroyed the prosperity of Siena. Florence also suffered severely, while 100,000 of the inhabitants of Venice were literally wiped off the face of the earth. From Italy it moved into France, where the mortality was almost as great. In Paris alone 50,000 people died from it. One of the worst features presented by the history of the black death was the cruel persecution it aroused against the Jews. They were supposed to have infected the air in some mysterious manner, and they were accused of having poisoned the wells and springs. In Strassburg 2,000 of them were buried alive in their own burial ground.

The order of the Flagellants arose at this time, coming from the belief that the sins of the world had at last brought down the wrath of heaven. It was the beginning of the so called hundred years' war that carried the black death into England, where in London its victims numbered 100,000. When at last the plague had worked its ravages it doubled back over its course to disappear in the east. Later on it appeared again in England, first among the soldiers of Richmond after the battle of Bosworth Field, and when the victorious army marched to London the plague went with them to work its havoc there. As long as it lasted the mortality was as great as

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that caused by the black death nair a century before. Five thousand people died in five weeks, and then the plague left London as suddenly as it had appeared there to sweep over the rest of England.

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## SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS CHAPTERS

Paul Beecot, son of wealthy parents, leaves his home in the country owing to the tyranny of his father and goes to London to make his way as a writer of stories. He meets Grexon Hay, an old school friend. Paul has a peculiar opal brooch fashioned in the shape of a serpent. Hay appears anxious to buy it.

Paul falls in love with Sylvia Norman, the daughter of a London bookseller and pawnbroker. Paul offers to pawn the opal brooch with Norman, but the latter falls in a faint when he sees the jewel.

(Continued)

"Oh, Deborah, just see, our hearts are beating too loud for me to hear 'is vice.' So I see!"

Here she became breathless and clapped her hands again, so as to prevent interruption. But Paul did interrupt her, knowing from experience that when once set going Deborah would go on until pulled up. "Can't I go up to Miss Norman?" he asked.

"You may murder me, and slay me, and trample on my corpse," said Deborah solemnly, "but go up you can't. Master would send me to walk the streets if I dared to let you, innocent as you are, go up them stairs."

"Can't I see her in the cellar?" he asked. "Mr. Norman said I could go down to wait for him."

"Sir," said Deborah, plunging forward a step like a stumbling horse, "don't tell me as you want to pawn."

"Well, I do," replied Paul softly, "but you needn't tell every one."

"It's only Bart," cried Deborah, casting a fierce look in the direction of the slim, sharp faced young man, "and if he was to talk I'd take his tongue out. That I would. I'm a training him to be my husband, as I don't hold with the ready made article, and married he shall be by parsing and clark if he's a good boy and don't talk of what don't matter to him."

"I ain't goin' to chatter," said Bart, with a wink.

"Come this way, Mr. Beecot, to the place where Old Nick have his home, for that he is when 7 strikes."

"You shouldn't speak of your master that way," protested Paul.

"Oh, shouldn't I?" snorted the maid, with a snort surprisingly loud. "And who have a better right, sir? I've been here twenty year as servant and nuss and friend and 'umble well wisher to Miss Sylvia, coming a slip of a girl at ten, which makes me thirty, I don't deny; not that it's too old to marry Bart, though he's but twenty and makes up in wickedness for twice that age. I know master, and when the sun's up there ain't a better man living, but turn on the gas and he's an Old Nick. Bart, attend to your business and don't open them long ears of yours too wide. I won't have a listening husband, I can tell you. This way, sir. Mind the steps."

By this time Deborah had conveyed Paul to a dark corner behind the counter and jerked back a trap door. Here he saw a flight of wood steps which led downward into darkness. But Miss Junk snatched up a lantern on the top step and having lighted it dropped down, holding it above her red and touselled head. Far below her voice was heard crying to Beecot to "Come on." Therefore he followed as quickly as he could and soon found himself in the cellar. All around was dark, but Deborah lighted a couple of flaring gas jets and then turned, with her arms akimbo, on the visitor.

"Now then, sir, you and me must have a talk, confidential like," said she in her breathless way. "It's pawning, is it? By which I knows that you ain't brought that overbearing pa of yours to his knees."

Paul sat down in a clumsy mahogany chair which stood near a plain deal table and stared at the handmaiden. "I never told you about my father," he said, exhibiting surprise.

"Oh, no, of course not"—Miss Junk tossed her head—"me being a babe an' a suckling, not fit to be told anything. But you told Miss Sylvia, and she told me, as she tells everything to her Debby, God bless her for a pretty flower!" She pointed a coarse, red finger at Paul. "If you were a gay deceiver, Mr. Beecot, I'd trample on your corp this very minute if I was to die at Old Bailey for the doing of it."

Seeing Deborah was breathless again, Paul seized his chance. "There is no reason you shouldn't know all about me, and"—

"No, indeed, I should think not, begging your pardon, sir. But when you comes here six months back, I ses to Miss Sylvia, I ses, 'He's making eyes at you, my lily,' and she ses to me, she says, 'Oh, Debby, I love him, that I do.' And then I ses, ses I, 'My pretty, he looks a gent born and bred, but that's the wust kind, so we'll find out if he's a liar before you loses your dear heart to him.'"

"But I'm not a liar"—began Paul, only to be cut short again.

"As well I knows," burst out Miss Junk, her arms akimbo again. "Do you think, sir, as I'd ha' let you come loving my pretty one and me not knowing if it was Judas or Jezebel? Not me, if I never drank my nightly drop of beer again. What you told Miss Sylvia of your frantic pa and your loving ma she told me. Pumping you may call it," shouted Deborah, emphasizing again with the red finger, "but



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everything you told in your lover way she told her old silly Debby. I ses to Bart, if you loves me, Bart, go down to Wargrove, wherever it may be—in England, which I doubt—and if he—meaning you—don't tell the truth, out he goes if I have the chucking of him myself and a police court summings over it. So Bart goes to Wargrove, and he find out that you speaks true, which means that you're a gent, sir, if ever there was one, in spite of your frantic pa, so I hopes as you'll marry my flower and make her happy—bless you!" And Deborah spread a large pair of mottled arms over Paul's head.

"It's all true," said he good naturedly; "my father and I don't get on well together, and I came to make a name in London. But for all you know, Deborah, I may be a scamp."

"That you are not," she burst out. "Why, Bart's been follerin' you everywhere, and he and me, which is to be his lawful wife and master, knows all about you and that there place in Bloomsbury, and where you go and where you don't go. And let me tell you, sir," again she lifted her finger threateningly, "if you wasn't what you oughter be never would you see my pretty one again—no, not if I had to wash the floor in your blue blood—for blue it is, if what Bart learned was true of them stone figgers in the church," and she gasped.

Paul was silent for a few minutes, looking at the floor. He wondered that he had not guessed all this. Often it had seemed strange to him that so faithful and devoted a couple of retainers as Bart and Deborah Junk should favor his wooing of Sylvia and keep it from their master, seeing that they knew nothing about him. "All the same," he said aloud, and following his own thoughts, "it's strange that you should wish her to marry me."

Miss Junk made a queer answer. "I'm glad enough to see her marry any one respectable, let alone a gent. Mr. Beecot, twenty year ago, a slip of ten, I come to nuss the baby as was my loving angel upstairs, and her ma had just passed away to jine them as lives overhead playing harps. All

these years I've never heard a young step on them stairs, save Miss Sylvia's and Bart's, him having come five years ago, and a brat he was. And would you believe it, Mr. Beecot, I know no more of the old man than you do. He's queer, and he's wrong altogether, and that frightened of being alone in the dark as you could make him a corp with a turnip lantern."

"What is he afraid of?" "Ah," said Beecot significantly, "what indeed? It may be police and it may be ghosts; but, ghosts or police, he never ses what he oughter say if he's a respectable man, which I sadly fear he ain't."

"He may have his reasons to"—

Miss Junk tossed her head and snorted again loudly. "Oh, yes—he has his reasons," she admitted, "and Old Bailey ones they are, I dessay. But there's somethin' a'ging over his head. Don't ask me what it is, fur never shall you know, by reason of my being ignorant. But whatever it is, Mr. Beecot, it's somethin' wicked, and shall I see my own pretty in trouble?"

"How do you know there will be trouble?" interrupted Paul anxiously.

"I've heard him pray," said Miss Junk mysteriously—"yes, you may look, for there ain't no prayer in the crafty eye of him—but pray he do, and asks to be kept from danger!"

"Danger?"

"Danger's the word, for I won't deceive you, no, not if you paid me better wages than the old man do give and he's as near as the paring of an onion. So I ses to Bart, if there's danger and trouble and Old Baileys about, the sooner Miss Sylvia have some dear man to give her a decent name and perfect her the more happy old Deborah will be."

"Yes, yes, I see. Well, Deborah, you can depend upon my looking after your pretty mistress. If I were only reconciled with my father I would speak to Mr. Norman."

"Don't, sir—don't!" cried the woman fiercely, and making a cluck at Paul's arm; "he'll turn you out, he will, not being anxious fur any one to have my flower, though love her as he oughter do, he don't, no," cried Deborah, "nor her ma before her, who died with a starvin' heart. But you run away with my sweetest and make her your own, though her pa swears thunderbolts as you may say. Take her from this place of wickedness and police courts." And Deborah looked around the cellar with a shudder.

Suddenly she started and held up her finger, nodding toward a narrow door at the side of the cellar. "Master's footstep," she said in a harsh whisper. "I'd know it in a thousand—just like a thief's, ain't it?—stealing as you might say. Don't tell him you've seen me."

"But Sylvia," cried Paul, catching her dress as she passed him.

"Her you'll see, if I die for it," said Deborah, and whirled up the wooden steps in a silent manner surprising in so noisy a woman. Paul heard the trapdoor drop with a stealthy creak.

As a key grated in the lock of the outside door he glanced round the place to which he had penetrated for the first time. It was of the same size as the shop overhead, but the walls were of stone, green with slime and feathery with a kind of ghastly white fungus. Overhead, from the wooden roof, which formed the door of the shop, hung innumerable spiders' webs thick with dust. The floor was of large flags cracked in many places, and between the chinks in moist corners sprouted sparse, colorless grass. In the center was a deal table, scored with queer marks and splotted with ink. Over this flared two gas jets, which whistled shrilly. Against the wall, which was below the street, were three green painted safes fast locked; but the opposite wall had in it the narrow door aforesaid, and a wide grated window, the bars of which were rusty, though strong. The atmosphere of the place was cold and musty and suggestive of a charnel house. Certainly a strange place in which to transact business, but everything about Aaron Norman was strange.

And he looked strange himself as he stepped in at the open door. Beyond, Paul could see the shallow flight of damp steps leading to the yard and the passage which gave admission from the street. Norman locked the door and came forward. He was as white as a sheet, and his face was thickly beaded with perspiration. His mouth twitched more than usual, and his hands moved nervously. Twice as he advanced toward Paul, who rose to receive him, did he cast the odd look over his shoulder. Beecot fancifully saw in him a man who had committed some crime and was fearful lest it should be discovered or lest the avenger should suddenly appear. Deborah's confidential talk had not been without its effect on the young man, and Paul beheld in Aaron a being of mystery.

How such a man came to have such a daughter as Sylvia Paul could not guess.

"Here you are, Mr. Beecot," said Aaron, rubbing his hands as though the cold of the cellar struck to his bones. "Well?"

"I want to pawn a brooch," said Beecot, and he pulled out the case from his pocket. "A friend of mine would have bought it, but as it be—"



"The opal serpent! The opal serpent!" he cried.

longs to my mother I prefer to pawn it so that I may get it again when I am rich."

"Well, well," said Aaron abruptly and resuming his downcast looks, "I shall do what I can. Let me see it."

He stretched out his hand and took the case. Slowly opening it under the gas, he inspected its contents. Suddenly he gave a cry of alarm, and the case fell to the floor. "The opal serpent! The opal serpent!" he cried, growing purple in the face. "Keep off! Keep off!" He beat the air with his lean hands. "Oh, the opal!" and he fell face downward on the slimy floor in a fit or a faint, but certainly unconscious.

## CHAPTER III.

NEAR the Temple station of the Metropolitan railway is a small garden which contains a certain number of fairly sized trees, a round bandstand and a few flower beds intersected by asphalt paths. Here those who are engaged in various offices round about come to enjoy rus in urbes, to listen to the gay music. And lovers meet here also, so it was quite in keeping that Paul Beecot should wait by the bronze statues of the Herculean wrestlers for the coming of Sylvia.

On the previous day he had departed hastily after committing the old man to Deborah's care. At first he had lingered to see Aaron revive, but when the unconscious man came to his senses and opened his eyes he fainted again when his gaze fell on Paul, so he left.

It was strange that the sight of the brooch should have produced such an effect on Aaron, and his fainting confirmed Paul's suspicions that the old man had not a clean conscience. But what the serpent brooch had to do with the matter Beecot could not conjecture.

While he was trying to solve the mystery a light touch on his arm made him wheel round, and he beheld Sylvia smiling at him.

"I can't stay long," said Sylvia. "My father is still ill, and he wants me to return and nurse him."

"Has he explained why he fainted?" asked Paul anxiously.

"No; he refuses to speak on the matter. Why did he faint, Paul?"

The young man looked puzzled. "Upon my word I don't know," he said. "Just as I was showing him a brooch I wished to pawn he went off."

"What kind of a brooch?" asked the girl, also perplexed.

Paul took the case out of his breast pocket, where it had been since the previous day. "My mother sent it to me," he explained. "You see, she guesses that I am hard up, and, thanks to my father, she can't send me money. This piece of jewelry she has had for many years, but as it is rather old fashioned she never wears it. So she sent it to me, hoping that I might get £10 or so on it. A friend of mine wished to buy it, but I was anxious to get it back again so that I might return it to my mother. Therefore I thought your father might lend me money on it."

Sylvia examined the brooch with great attention. It was evidently of Indian workmanship, delicately chased and thickly set with jewels. The serpent, which was apparently wriggling across the stout gold pin of the brooch, had its broad back studded with opals, large in the center of the body and small at head and tail. These were set round with tiny diamonds, and the head was of chased gold, with a ruby tongue. Sylvia admired the workmanship and the jewels and turned the brooch over. On the flat smooth gold

underneath she found the initial "R" scratched with a pin. This she showed to Paul. "I expect your mother made this mark to identify the brooch," she said.

"My mother's name is Anne," replied Paul, looking more puzzled than ever—"Anne Beecot. Why should she mark this with an initial which has nothing to do with her name?"

"Perhaps it is a present," suggested Sylvia.

Paul snapped the case to and replaced it in his pocket. "Perhaps it is," he said. "However, when I next write to my mother I'll ask her where she got the brooch. She has had it for many years," he added musingly, "for I remember playing with it when a small boy."

"Don't tell your mother that my father fainted."

"Why not? Does it matter?"

Sylvia folded her slender hands and looked straight in front of her. For some time they had been seated on a bench in a retired part of the gardens, and the laughter of playing children, the music of the band playing the merriest airs from the last musical comedy, came faintly to their ears. "I think it does matter," said the girl seriously. "For some reason my father wants to keep himself as quiet as possible. He talks of going away."

"Going away? Oh, Sylvia, and you never told me."

"He only spoke of going away when I came to see how he was this morning," she replied. "I wonder if his fainting has anything to do with this determination. He never talked of going away before."

Paul wondered also. It seemed strange that after so unusual an event the old man should turn restless and wish to leave a place where he had lived for over twenty years. "I'll come and have an explanation," said Paul after a pause.

"I think that will be best, dear. Father said that he would like to see you again and told Bart to bring you in if he saw you."

"I'll call today—this afternoon, and perhaps your father will explain. And now, Sylvia, that is enough about other people and other things. Let us talk of ourselves."

Sylvia turned her face with a fond smile. She was a delicate and dainty little lady, with large gray eyes and soft brown hair. Her complexion was transparent, and she had little color in her cheeks. With her oval face, her thin nose and charming mouth she looked very pretty and sweet. But it was her expression that Paul loved. That was a trifle sad, but when she smiled her looks changed as an overcast sky changes when the sun bursts through the clouds. Her figure was perfect, her hands and feet showed marks of breeding, and, although her gray dress was as demure as any worn by a Quakeress, she looked bright and merry in the sunshine of her lover's presence. Everything about Sylvia was dainty and neat and exquisitely clean, but she was hopelessly out of the fashion. It was this odd independence in her dress which constituted another charm in Paul's eyes.

The place was too public to indulge in lovemaking, and it was very tantalizing to sit near this vision of beauty without gaining the delight of a kiss. Paul feasted his eyes, and held Sylvia's gray gloved hand under cover of her dress. Further he could not go.

"Can you be jealous, Paul?" Sylvia asked suddenly.

"Horribly! You don't know half my bad qualities. I am poor and needy and ambitious and jealous and"—

"There, there. I won't hear you run yourself down. You are the best boy in the world."

"I certainly have found an enchanted princess sleeping in a jealously guarded castle. What would your father say did he know?"

Sylvia looked startled. "I am afraid of my father," she replied indirectly. "Yes, he is so strange. Sometimes he seems to love me and at other times to hate me. We have nothing in common. I love books and art and gaiety and dresses. But father only cares for jewels. He has a lot down in the cellar. I have never seen them, you know," added Sylvia, looking at her lover, "nor have Deborah or Bart. But they are there. Bart and Deborah say so."

"Has your father ever said so?"

"No. He won't speak of his business in the cellar. When the shop is closed at 7 he sends Bart away home and locks Deborah and me in the house. That is," she explained anxiously, lest Paul should think her father a tyrant, "he locks the door which leads to the shop. We can walk all over the house. But when we stop till next morning, when father unlocks the door at 7 and Bart takes down the shutters. We have lived like that for years. On Sunday evenings, however, father does not go to the cellar, but takes me to church. He has supper with me upstairs and then locks the door at 10."

"But he sleeps upstairs?"

"No. He sleeps in the cellar."

"Impossible. There is no accommodation for sleeping there."

To be continued.



## INTERESTING NOTES FROM REDWOOD CITY

Mrs. O. M. Hester, of Mountain View, is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. E. Vasquez.

Mrs. J. Christ made a week's-end trip to Berkeley and spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. L. D. Rathbone.

Miss Sadie Fry, of San Francisco, spent last Thursday here renewing old acquaintances.

Mrs. Merriek Creigh (nee Madge Kirkpatrick) and son are expected to arrive from Manila this week.

Dr. Taylor will soon begin the erection of a handsome home in the Finger Tract, having disposed of his property in the Canyada.

Mrs. James Hedge and son returned to their home in Goldfield, Nevada, after a visit of several weeks with relatives here.

Lee Ross, youngest son of Geo. E. Ross of this city, returned from a four months' trip in Europe. He has again entered Stanford for a post graduate course.

The work on the new court-house has been commenced and the contractors expect to have a large force at work as soon as sufficient material is on hand.

W. J. Dingee has sold his home and other property in this neighborhood, to a San Francisco Syndicate for \$750,000. It is rumored that the palatial home will be converted into a tourists' hotel.

Mrs. G. Ferguson, who has been spending the Summer here with her mother, Mrs. Murch, left last Saturday for her home in Minneapolis, having thoroughly enjoyed her vacation here.

Miss Florence Howard, who last year taught the Latin and German classes in the local high school, has this year accepted the same position in the Redding High School.

Mr. and Mrs. John Heard and son returned to their home in Bakersfield last week, after a two weeks' visit with relatives in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Heard made the trip in their automobile.

Rev. W. P. McClasker, pastor last year of the local Methodist church, has been sent by Conference to Alameda, and Rev. John Telfer will take charge of the church in Redwood.

Mrs. Alice Lothrop, well known in this community was married on Tuesday last to Mr. D. Dugan of Mayfield. The ceremony took place in the Catholic Church here and was performed by Father Sullivan. Mr. Dugan is in the employ of the Southern Pacific.

Mrs. Laura Dudley died at her home in Hollister, September 9th. She was a native of Hollister, aged 21. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Green, well-known farmer residents of Redwood, who have the sincere sympathy of the community in their sad bereavement.

Cyrus H. Davis, father of Mrs. Isabelle Davis-Simpson of Alameda, died at his home in Fruitvale on Friday last, presumably of heart disease. Mr. Davis was an old respected citizen of Redwood for many years before moving across the bay. He was 54 years old, and leaves a wife and three children to mourn his loss.

A "Missionary Tea" was held by the Congregational ladies at the home of Mrs. S. P. McCrea on Friday last. The topic under discussion was Japan, and was led by Mrs. Wentworth. After the discussion a social home was enjoyed and cake and tea was served.

A high class entertainment was given at Assembly Hall last Thursday evening, for the benefit of the High School, to create a fund to purchase medals for the debating contests. The entertainment was under the direction of G. W. Taylor, who lectured on "The Sunny Side of Life." The lecture was both humorous and instructive. Miss E. C. Beal, the famous cornetist, charmed her audience with several selections while Miss McKenzie was equally good as a pianist.

### PECK'S ADDITION

Local headquarters in Post Office building. The first section of lots now on the market. For price list and terms apply to the undersigned. Team to the door and no trouble to show the property.

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## FRATERNAL ORDERS

### U. A. O. D.

Sunday last was a red letter day in the history of local Druidism. White Eagle Circle, No. 56, held a class initiation on that day. The Past Arch Druidess of California, assisted by Cypress Circle of Colma, put on the floor work in a manner never before witnessed in this State. Certain it is Metropolitan Hall never held a more delighted crowd; the work was perfect, the lessons taught by the team, centering around the seven points of instruction, was brilliantly rendered, every movement, every word, was eloquent and with meaning. The climax was reached when the final charge was given and reference made to the time, when, 1800 years ago, the ancient Druids visited the place where the young child lay, with gold frankincense and myrrh placed all upon the altar, pledging themselves to be faithful to Druidic teaching, which contains the key to a perfect life. The Grand Degree team consists of the following members: Mrs. L. Lacaze, Mrs. J. J. Flaherty, Mrs. J. Heymer, Mrs. E. Hellman, Mrs. B. McCortney, Mrs. H. Beach, Mrs. M. Gaskill, Mrs. M. Weridt, Mrs. E. Pierce, Mrs. Nellie McKeown, Mrs. Della Hardin, Mrs. C. V. Fischer, Mrs. V. Gamberoni, Mrs. O. Heiden, Mrs. A. Goodall, Miss J. Viganego, Mrs. G. C. Luce, Mrs. Woolsey, Mrs. B. Speen and Miss Mary McDonald. Grand Organist, Miss Eva Wolf, Mrs. B. Pimentel, Grand Arch Druidess, with the grand officers was also present. After the initiation, speeches were called for, and remarkable to relate, not one refused the call of the chair. The day closed with a delightful banquet provided by the local circle.

### W. O. W.

The dance given by the Uniform Rank of Progress Camp, No. 425, last Saturday, was a grand success. The committee desire to thank all those who in any way assisted them.

### I. O. R. M.

Wahnita Council, No. 35, held their usual monthly social Tuesday last. It was a jolly affair and reflected credit on the committee in charge.

Do not forget the Social Time and Picnic at Lovchen Garden, Colma, today, Sunday, given by officers and members of Tippiacnoe Tribe of South City. Take it in, it will certainly prove a day of pleasure.

### F. O. E.

Wednesday next South City Aerie, No. 1473, will put on the floor work when a class of 12 applicants will become Eagles. All interested will not fail to remember time and place, Metropolitan Hall. Visiting brothers are welcome.

Lost, at Picnic Grounds, July 4, '07, one live hog. Return to Mr. T. Conley and receive reward.

That little act styled "That Rascal Pat" may be repeated to advantage.

T. U. T.'s Masquerade Ball tonight, will be a grand affair. Good music. Dancing all night.

### LETTER LIST

List of letters remaining on hand thirty days preceeding Sept. 16, 1907. E. E. CUNNINGHAM, P. M.

#### DOMESTIC

Maranta, V.; Natale, Uri; Oakman, Chas.; Rockett, John; Standerman, Carl; Sen, Fred R.

#### FOREIGN

Antonio de Souza, Coetho; Antonio efelo, Pasquelo; Vincenzo, Gabrielle (3); Madam Loufade, Gabrielle.

The South City Printing Company has put in an up-to-date stock of score or tally cards for use at card parties. Nice assortment to select from.

### BOXING CONTEST

Next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock there will be a boxing contest at the Mission Street Arena between Bill Squires of Australia and Jack Twin Sullivan. It is expected to be a very lively fight.

### WORK WITH CHEER

It ought not to be necessary to ask a man if he likes his work. The radiance of his face should tell that. His very buoyancy and pride in his work, the spirit of unbounded enthusiasm and zest ought to show that. He ought to be so in love with his work that he would find his greatest delight in it; and this inward joy should light up his whole being.

A test of the quality of the individual is the spirit in which he does his work. If he goes to it grudgingly, like a slave under the lash; if he feels the drudgery in it, if his enthusiasm and love for it do not lift it out of commonness and make it a delight instead of a bore, he will never make a very great place for himself in the world.

The man who feels his life-yoke galling him, who does not understand why the bread-and-butter question could not have been solved by one great creative act, instead of every man's being obliged to wrench everything he gets from nature through hard work, the man who does not see a great beneficent design and a superb necessity in the principle that every one should earn his own living—has gotten a wrong view of life, and will never get the splendid results out of his vocation which were intended for him.

The man who does not look upon his vocation as a great unfolding, enlarging, cultivating, educative, elevating process—the results of which could come in no other possible way—has made a very poor guess at life's riddle.

Multitudes of people do not half respect their work. They look upon it as a disagreeable necessity for providing bread and butter, clothing and shelter—as unavoidable drudgery, instead of as a great man builder, a great life university for the development of manhood and womanhood. They do not see the divinity in the spur of necessity which compels man to develop the best thing in him, to unfold his possibilities by his struggle to attain his ambition, to conquer the enemies of his prosperity and happiness. They cannot see the curse in the unearned dollar, which takes the spur out of the motive. Work to them is sheer drudgery—an unmitigated evil. They cannot understand why the Creator did not put bread readymade on trees. They cannot see that the best thing in man has ever been developed by the necessity of labor. They do not see the stamina, the grit, the nobility and the manhood in being forced to conquer what they get.

What a pitiable sight, to see one of God's noblemen, made to hold up his head and to be a king, to be cheerful and happy, and to radiate power, going about whining and complaining of his work, apologizing for what he is doing and deploring the fact that he should have to work at all!—Orison Swett in Success.

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Sept. 21-31

STOLEN.—From the White House at Colma, Monday evening, Sept. 16th, a two-wheel cart. Red wheel, body black. Bay horse, weight about 12 pounds, bald face, one ring bone on front foot. R. J. CARROLL, Constable  
Sept. 21-11

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